



# News Release

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## JULY PRICES UP FROM JUNE

**SIOUX FALLS, July 31, 2007** -- Preliminary July prices were up from June for soybeans, sunflower, winter wheat, spring wheat, alfalfa hay, and other hay, according to the South Dakota Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Preliminary prices for barrows and gilts and sows were down, while calves, steers and heifers, and cows were up.

For July, the preliminary winter wheat price, at \$5.23, was up 48 cents from last month and up 91 cents from last July. The spring wheat price, at \$5.67, was 50 cents higher than last month and \$1.26 higher than last year. The July soybean price, at \$7.38, was 29 cents higher than last month and \$2.00 higher than last year. The corn price, at \$3.20, was down 22 cents from last month but up \$1.26 from last year. The preliminary all sunflower price, at \$18.60, was up 90 cents from last month and up \$5.80 from last year.

The preliminary July barrow and gilt price, at \$54.00, was down \$2.70 from last month but up \$1.70 from last year, while sows, at \$35.80, were down 80 cents from June but up \$4.10 from July 2006.

The preliminary July steer and heifer price, at \$97.00, was up \$2.10 from June and up \$4.40 from July of last year. Calves, at \$111.00, were up \$4.00 from last month but down \$22.00 from July 2006.

The July alfalfa price, at \$92.00 per ton, was up \$1.00 from last month and up \$22.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$76.00, was up \$2.00 from last month and up \$20.00 from July 2006.

### Prices Received by South Dakota Farmers

Commodity	Unit	July 2006 <sup>1</sup>	June 2007 <sup>1</sup>	July 2007 <sup>2</sup>
		<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Corn	Bu.	1.94	3.42	3.20
Soybeans	Bu.	5.38	7.09	7.38
Sunflower	Cwt.	12.80	17.70	18.60
Wheat, All	Bu.	4.35	5.06	5.56
Winter	Bu.	4.32	4.75	5.23
Other Spring	Bu.	4.41	5.17	5.67
Barley, All	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Feed	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Malt	Bu.	NA	NA	NA
Oats	Bu.	1.85	2.88	2.70
Hay, All	Ton	69.00	89.00	89.00
Alfalfa	Ton	70.00	91.00	92.00
Other	Ton	56.00	74.00	76.00
Cattle, All Beef <sup>3</sup>	Cwt.	81.50	84.60	85.80
Cows	Cwt.	48.10	50.00	52.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	92.60	94.90	97.00
Calves <sup>4</sup>	Cwt.	133.00	107.00	111.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	49.20	53.90	51.30
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	52.30	56.70	54.00
Sows	Cwt.	31.70	36.60	35.80
Lambs	Cwt.	105.00	109.00	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	18.70	24.90	NA

<sup>1</sup> Entire month. <sup>2</sup> Mid-month. <sup>3</sup> Over 500 lbs. <sup>4</sup> Under 500 lbs. NA = Not Available

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